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Children & Families Commission of Fresno County to Release Request For Proposal (RFP)

On November 12, 1998, California voters passed Proposition 10, the "California Children and Families First Act of 1998." The Act provided for a 50 cent per pack tax on cigarettes. The monies collected are to be used to fund anti-smoking and early childhood education programs, including parent education, health and childcare programs that promote early childhood development from prenatal through age five.

The Fresno County Commission has approximately \$30 million available and will release at least \$10 million to fund capital, planning, capacity, or major service projects during this first RFP round.

The RFP will be released at Noon on October 2, 2000 and will be available for pick-up at the following locations:

Commission Office – 550 E. Shaw, Suite 215
Mendota City Hall – 643 Quince Street
Parlier Healthy Start – 601 Third Street (Corner of Newmark & Third)
Asian Village – 4903 Kings Canyon Rd. (BLI ATOUT Plaza Lobby)
Manchester Proteus – 1901 E. Shields, Suite 150
West Hills College Coalinga – 300 Cherry Lane

The RFP will also be available for download on the State Commission site at www.ccfc.ca.gov. If you would like it e-mailed, please e-mail your request to kerogers@visto.com.

